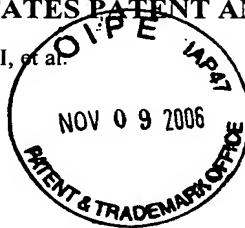


Docket No. 245139US8

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Kunihiro KAWAI, et al.
SERIAL NO: 10/702,573
FILED: November 7, 2003
FOR: SIGNAL SWITCHING DEVICE



GAU: 1751
EXAMINER: K. M. VIJAYAKUMAR

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached Two Japanese Office Actions and listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available Unedited Computer-Generated English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

- Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.



Bradley D. Lytle

Registration No. 40,073

Joseph Scafetta, Jr.
Registration No. 26,803

Customer Number

22850

Tel. (703) 413-3000
Fax. (703) 413-2220
(OSMMN 05/03)

Form PTO 1449 (Modified)	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 245139US8	SERIAL NO. 10/702,573	
LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT <i>NOV. 9 2006</i>		APPLICANT Kunihiro KAWAI, et al.			
		FILING DATE November 7, 2003		GROUP 1751	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS
AA					
AB					
AC					
AD					
AE					
AF					
AG					
AH					
AI					
AJ					
AK					
AL					
AM					
AN					
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION	
	AO JP 10-135715	05/22/1998	JAPAN (with Unedited Computer-Generated English Translation)	X	
	AP JP 2001-127351	05/11/2001	JAPAN (with Unedited Computer-Generated English Translation)	X	
	AQ JP 10-65411	03/06/1998	JAPAN (with Unedited Computer-Generated English Translation)	X	
	AR JP 1-174101	07/10/1989	JAPAN (with English Abstract)		X
	AS JP 1-183864	07/21/1989	JAPAN (with English Abstract)		X
	AT JP 1-305602	12/08/1989	JAPAN (with English Abstract)		X
	AU				
	AV				
OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)					
	AW				
	AX				
	AY				
	AZ			<input type="checkbox"/> Additional References sheet(s) attached	
Examiner				Date Considered	
*Examiner: Initial if reference is considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.					